

*******DRAFT MINUTES*******

Alexandria Board of Architectural Review
Old & Historic Alexandria District

Wednesday, January 4, 2012

7:30pm, City Council Chambers, City Hall
301 King Street, Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Members Present: Tom Hulfish, Chairman
Chip Carlin
Oscar Fitzgerald
John von Senden
Arthur Keleher
Wayne Neale
Peter Smeallie

Staff Present: Planning & Zoning
Courtney Lankford, Historic Preservation Planner
Al Cox, FAIA, Historic Preservation Manager

The meeting was called to order at 7:43 p.m. by Chairman Hulfish.

I. MINUTES

1. Consideration of the minutes of the public hearing of November 16, 2011.
BOARD ACTION: Approved, as submitted, 7-0.
2. Consideration of the minutes of the public hearing of December 7, 2011.
BOARD ACTION: Approved, as submitted, 7-0.

On a motion by Mr. von Senden, seconded by Dr. Fitzgerald, the minutes were approved, as submitted, 7-0.

II. CONSENT ITEMS

Items on the Consent Calendar are those where the applicant has agreed to all conditions of approval shown in the staff reports. Without objection, the staff recommendation for these cases will be approved as a group by unanimous consent of the Board at the beginning of the meeting. When announced by the Chairman, any member of the Board or of the public may ask that one of these cases be removed for full discussion.

1. **CASE BAR2011-0352**
Request for balcony enclosure at **1250 S Washington St #406**, zoned RC Residential
APPLICANT: Robert & Joan Chase
BOARD ACTION: Approved, as submitted, on the Consent Calendar, 7-0.

2. **CASE BAR2011-0354**

Request for re-approval of previously approved plans at **105 N Union St**, zoned CD Commercial

APPLICANT: AT&T by Greg Rapisarda

BOARD ACTION: **Approved, as amended, on the Consent Calendar, 7-0.**

On a motion by Mr. von Senden, seconded by Mr. Smeallie, the Consent Calendar, consisting of items BAR2011-0352 and BAR2011-0354, was unanimously approved, 7-0.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. **CASE BAR2011-0326**

Request for alteration to previously approved plan at **616 S Royal St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Jay & Judith Turim by M. Catherine Puskar

BOARD ACTION: **Approved, as submitted, 5-2.**

SPEAKERS

Ms. Puskar, attorney for the application, spoke on behalf of the application.

Ms. Beach, neighbor at 614 S Royal, spoke in opposition to the application. Ms. Beach was concerned about the mass and scale of the enclosure, as well as the paint color.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Mr. Smeallie felt the height and design of the enclosure was fine, but understood Ms. Beach's concerns regarding the color. He felt that the color should match the main color of the house, not the color of the trim.

Dr. Fitzgerald felt that the builder made an honest mistake in regards to the height. He felt that the correct interpretation of the paint color would be to match the main color of the house, not the trim.

Mr. von Senden stated that while the enclosure is taller than others in the neighborhood, he did not object to it. He also stated that the majority of the enclosures in the immediate neighborhood are painted to match the color of the trim, rather than the body color, of the house.

Mr. Keleher made a motion to approve the Staff recommendation which was seconded by Mr. von Senden and approved 5-2 (Mr. Hulfish and Mr. Smeallie in opposition).

REASON

The Board felt that the builder made an honest mistake when he constructed the enclosure 4" taller than what was approved. Since the height increase was so minimal, the Board

did not think it would have an adverse effect on the neighborhood. The Board also felt that it was appropriate that the color of the enclosure match the color of the house trim, as many of the other HVAC enclosures in the neighborhood do.

2. **CASE BAR2011-0351**

Request for partial demolition of parapet at **304 Duke St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Daniel Branscome

BOARD ACTION: **Approved, as submitted, by a roll call vote, 7-0.**

BOARD DISCUSSION

Mr. Smeallie made the motion to approve the application. The motion was seconded by Mr. von Senden. The motion passed by roll call vote, 7-0.

REASON

The Board felt that there was no historical significance of the southern portion of the west parapet wall and therefore, supported reducing the height of the parapet to match the stepped parapet wall on the east side of the structure.

III. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Election of Board Chairman

BOARD ACTION: **Tom Hulfish, appointed 6-1.**

On a motion by Mr. Smeallie, seconded by Mr. Keleher, Tom Hulfish was elected Board Chairman, 6-1, with Mr. Hulfish in opposition.

2. Election of Vice Chairman

BOARD ACTION: **Oscar Fitzgerald, appointed 6-1.**

On a motion by Mr. Carlin, seconded by Mr. Keleher, Oscar Fitzgerald was elected Vice Chairman, 6-1, with Mr. Fitzgerald in opposition.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS

The following items are shown for information only. Based on the Board's adopted policies, these have been approved by Staff since the previous Board meeting.

CASE BAR2011-0259

Request for window replacement at **214 Prince St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Jeffrey and Emma Sopka

CASE BAR2011-0321

Request for window replacement at **824 King St**, zoned KR King Street Retail

APPLICANT: Rodrigo Restrepo

CASE BAR2011-0331

Request for roof and window replacement at **1117 Prince St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Doug Frantz and Catherine Collins

CASE BAR2011-0332

Request for window replacement at **805 Prince St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Beata Corcoran

CASE BAR2011-0336

Request for shutters at **1101 Powhatan St**, zoned RB Residential

APPLICANT: Anna-Coleman Siman

CASE BAR2011-0337

Request for signage at **108 N Columbus St**, zoned CD Commercial

APPLICANT: E. Coleman

CASE BAR2011-0338

Request for rear fence at **126 Prince St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: William and Sharon Clinton

CASE BAR2011-0339

Request for trim replacement at **418 Queen St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Kimberly and David Kaplan

CASE BAR2011-0340

Request for a roof replacement at **222 S West St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Linett Axelsson

CASE BAR2011-0341

Request for chimney reconstruction and tuckpointing repair at **301 S Washington St**, zoned CD Commercial

APPLICANT: United Bank

CASE BAR2011-0342

Request for window replacement at **408 N Union St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Elizabeth Reno

CASE BAR2011-0343

Request for a roof replacement at **403 Queen St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Kim Agostino

CASE BAR2011-0345

Request for signage at **610 Madison St**, zoned CDX Commercial

APPLICANT: LuLu Sage

CASE BAR2011-0346

Request for structural support installation at **3737 Seminary Road**, zoned R20 Residential

APPLICANT: Virginia Theological Seminary

CASE BAR2011-0347

Request for signage at **1110 King Street**, zoned KR King Street Retail

APPLICANT: Bazzak Salon

CASE BAR2011-0349

Request for gate replacement at **1221 Prince St**, zoned CL Commercial

APPLICANT: Matthew Newton

CASE BAR2011-0350

Request for door replacement at **1021 King St**, zoned KR King Street Retail

APPLICANT: Daughters of St. Paul by Brian P. Williamson

CASE BAR2011-0353

Request for roof and gutter replacement at **212 S Saint Asaph St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Richardson LLC

CASE BAR2011-0355

Request for window and door replacement at **682 N Saint Asaph St**, zoned CRMU-X Commercial Residential Mixed Use

APPLICANT: Vitalitea LLC

CASE BAR2011-0356

Request for light replacement at **915 Cameron St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Craig S. Miller by Patrick Camus

CASE BAR2011-0357

Request for roof replacement at **422 N Union St**, zoned RM Residential

APPLICANT: Cynthia Fox

CASE BAR2011-0358

Request for window replacement at **514 Gibbon St**, zoned RM Residential
APPLICANT: Adam Korengi-Both

CASE BAR2011-0359

Request for door replacement at **108 N Washington**, zoned CD Commercial
APPLICANT: Urban Angular

CASE BAR2011-0366

Request for door replacement at **540 Second St, Apt. 405** zoned CD Commerical
APPLICANT: Tom McMillen

CASE BAR2011-0369

Request for two lanterns at **213 S Pitt St**, zoned RM Residential
APPLICANT: William & Anita Edwards

V. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Hulfish adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:05pm.

Minutes submitted by,

Al Cox, FAIA, Historic Preservation Manager
Boards of Architectural Review